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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Continuation Application of
R. CRAIG MILLER and RICHARD W. NAESS
For: PROCESS FOR CONTINUOUSLY COOKING FOOD
Serial No. 08/494,716
Filed: 6/26/95

PATENT
Art Unit: 1302
Examiner: G. Yeung
September 27, 1996

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to complete the filing of a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.60(b),
please add the following new claim:

--1X. A process for continuously cooking foodstuff while being ~~above~~ to provide
excellent control of the properties of the cooked foodstuff, said process comprising the steps
of:

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placing a foodstuff to be cooked on an upper surface of a perforate, moving
belt;

heating at least one surface of the foodstuff to be cooked with a color
development and sealing flame;